GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
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RAILWAY REFORM COMMISSION
SUBODH MOHITE

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

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(a) whether the Government propose to set up Railway Reforms Commission;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the time by which the proposed Commission is likely to be set up;

(d) the details of the main recommendations made by previous Commission headed by P.D. Pandey and H.C.Sareen; and

(e) the action taken by the Government thereon?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWYS

(SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH)

(a)to(c): The Hon`ble President in his address to the joint sitting of the Parliament on 25.10.99 has, inter alia, announced that `a Railway Reforms Commission will be set up to evolve a new resource mobilisation strategy, rationalise tariff, prioritise the project portfolio, and urgently fulfill the unmet needs of Railway Safety`. The composition and detailed terms of reference of the proposed Commission are under consideration.

(d) & (e) : The Railway Reforms Committee headed by Shri B.D.Pande and subsequently by Shri H.C.Sareen have submitted their report in 26 parts containing 2258 recommend-ations on different aspects of railway working. Main recom-mendations relate to Railway Organisation, Regrouping,Rolling Stock,Transportation, Finance, Security, Research & Development, Track, and Signalling. Out of these, 1926 recommendations were accepted and implemented.